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SUBJECT: FRANGIE SENDING MESSENGER TO SYRIA

- 1. FRANGIE'S ADVISER DAHDAH INFORMED US THAT FRANGIE IS SENDING HIM TO DAMASCUS TODAY OR TOMORROW, DEPENDING ON WEATHER CONDITIONS. PLANS TO SEND ENVOY OVER WEEKEND (BEIRUT 3459) DID NOT MATERIALIZE.
- 2. PURPOSE OF DAHDAH'S MISSION RATHER PREDICTABLE, AT LEAST IN PART. FRANGIE WANTS TO KNOW WHAT THE STATUS OF THE JANUARY AGREEMENT IS, PARTICULARLY WITH RESPECT TO THE CAIRO ACCORD, NOW THAT ASAD HAS MET WITH THE PALESTINIANS.
- 3. IN RAISING ABOVE QUESTION FRANGIE ALSO WANTS TO ASSURE ASAD THAT HE IS IMPLEMENTING AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION TO ALLOW FOR NEW LEBANESE PRESIDENT DESPITE THE FACT THAT SECURITY SITUATION HERE IS BY NO MEANS THAT AGREED ON AS A CONDITION FOR PROCEEDING WITH IMPLEMENTATION OF AMENDMENT. INDEED, THE REJECTIONISTS HAVE NOT EVEN ADHERED TO THE LATEST CEASEFIRE SO FAR.
- 4. DAHDAH UNDERSTANDS SYRIANS WILL REQUEST CLARIFICATION RE PRESENCE OF SYRIAN ELEMENTS IN BOTH PARTS OF THE CONFIDENTIAL

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COUNTRY, CHRISTIAN AS WELL AS MOSLEM.

5. IN ANSWER TO QUESTION AS TO WHETHER HE SHOULD RAISE SECURITY PLAN WITH SYRIANS (BEIRUT 3291) DAHDAH WAS AGAIN TOLD THAT THIS WAS A MATTER UP TO LEBANON. IN ANY EVENT AS HE KNEW, THE SYRIAN POSITION SEMED TO BE ONE OF WANTING TO GET ON WITH THE ELECTION OF THE NEW PRESIDENT AND LETTING THE NEW MAN GET INTO SUCH MATTERS. BROWN

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